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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114 which is filed in response to the final Office action of July 29, 2005, and in addition to applicants' Notice of Appeal dated December 28, 2005. For further prosecution, kindly enter and consider the attached preliminary amendments¹⁾ and the following preliminary remarks:

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 10 to 16, 18, 19 and 21 to 26 as set forth in Appendix I of this paper are now pending in this case. Claims 5, 8, 17 and 20 have been canceled, and Claims 23 to 26 have been added, as indicated in the listing of the claims.

Accordingly, applicants' have added new Claim 23 to further emphasize some of the measures which are required to arrive at the new

1) Cf. the Claim Amendments set forth in Appendix I on pages 5 to 7 of this paper.

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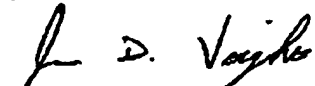
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